

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

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5 designations appearing in the original P.A.S.A.T. electronic file.

[0010, amended] Figure 1 is a perspective view of the first, preferred, embodiment of the invention before a scuba tank is placed in it. ~~(A second embodiment involving small physical differences is discussed in the Detailed Description, but~~  
10 ~~not illustrated.)~~

[new paragraph, added after 0010] Figure 2 is a perspective view of a second embodiment.

15 [0011, amended] Figure 23 is a perspective view of the preferred embodiment carrying a scuba tank.

[0012, amended] Figure 34 is a perspective view of the preferred embodiment being adjusted to prevent rolling of a scuba tank on a flat surface.

20 [0013, amended] Figure 45 is an end view of the preferred embodiment and a scuba tank on a flat surface.

[0014, amended] Figure 56 is a perspective view of a third embodiment of the  
25 invention.

[0015, amended] Figure 67 is an end view of the third embodiment.

[0018, amended] Figure 2, a~~A~~ second embodiment of the invention, ~~not illustrated~~  
because it is easy to visualize, involves dividing median portion 17 of rope 3 into  
separate ropes 24 and 25 and tying off the new ends 26 and 27 or providing  
other means for preventing the new ends from being pulled out of third hole 11 or  
5 fourth hole 13. It is useful to note that claims 10 through 18 of the present  
specification are directed towards this second embodiment.

[0019, amended] Figure 23 is a perspective view of the first embodiment carrying a  
scuba tank 201. The tank 201 is shown with a typical bottom cap 202 and valve  
10 stem 203, which are not part of the invention. To carry the tank, the near portion  
15 and the far portion 16 of the rope 3 are wrapped around the tank 201, and  
sliding handle 2 is inserted between the near and far portions 15 and 16. When  
sliding handle 2 is pulled upward by the hand of a user, represented by arrow A,  
grasping sliding resilient grip 19, sliding handle 2 slides upward on rope 3 until it  
15 is stopped by the median portion 17 of the rope 3. Farther upward motion by the  
user lifts everything.

[0021, amended] Figure 34 is a perspective view of the invention being adjusted to  
prevent rolling of tank 201 on a flat surface. Fixed handle 1 is first placed  
20 alongside tank 201, so that fixed handle resilient grip 18 or end caps 20 and 21  
are in contact with tank 201. Sliding handle 2 is then secured against the  
opposite side of tank 201 by holding sliding handle resilient grip 19 against the  
tank and pulling as much of rope 3 rightward as possible. If the tank is urged to  
roll rightward (for example) by motion of the surface, resilient grip 19 will try to roll  
25 leftward, thus inhibiting rolling. Twisting of the rope 3 within through holes 11 and  
13 will further inhibit rolling. Leftward roll in this view is prevented by fixed handle  
1 being held by rope ends 4 and 8, as well as by the opposing roll tendency of

fixed handle 1 against tank 201. The diameters of end caps 20, 21, 22 and 23 are shown here being equal to that of grips 18 and 19, as that maximizes contact between the tank, the handles, and the surface, but it is not necessary.

5 [0022, amended] Figure 45 is a near end view of the invention and a scuba tank 201 on a flat surface 401, more clearly showing that tank rotation B reacts against surface 401 oppositely to rotation C of handle 2. It is evident as well that twisting of rope 3 within through hole 11 by significant rotation of handle 2 will interfere with rolling.

10 [0023, amended] Figure 56 is a perspective view of a third embodiment of the invention. In this embodiment, angular blocks 501, 502, 503, and 504 replace end caps 20 - 23 in the earlier drawings. the flat sides of the angular blocks provide an added measure of roll prevention if desired.

15 [0024, amended] Figure 67 is an end view of the third embodiment showing tank 201 chocked by angular blocks 501 and 503.